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SUBJ: U.S. REPROCESSING ISSUES WITH JAPAN

- 1. AT RECEPTION FOR LMFBR WORKING GROUP ON SAFETY ERDA REP APPROACHED BY YOSHIMURA (AEB) WHO, ON BEHALF KAWASAKI, UNABLE HIMSELF TO ATTEND, WISHED TO REQUESTT AGAIN THAT U.S. MISSION, PRESUMABLY COMPRISED OF STATE, ERDA, ACDA REPS, MAKE EARLY VISIT TO JAPAN. YOSHIMURA INDICATED THAT OTSUKA PRESENTLY REQUESTING (OR RECENTLY REQUESTED) SUCH VISIT WHILE IN U.S., AND THAT AEB IS NOW DRAFTING LETTER FOR JAPANESE AMBASSADOR IN WASHINGTON TO USG ALSO REQUESTING SUCH BRIEFING. WHETHER LETTER WILL ACTUALLY BE DISPATCHED UNCERTAIN AT THIS TIME BUT MANY LEVELS OF STA AND MOFA APPARENTLY INVOLVED IN A COORDINATED EFFORT TO CONVINCE U.S. OF NEED FOR SUCH TEAM VISIT.
- 2. EMBOFF EXPRESSED HESITANCY THAT TEAM VISIT IN NEAR FUTURE MAY BE UNPRODUCTIVE SINCE NEW ADMINISTRATION LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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ENERGY POLICY NOT EXPECTED TO BE FORMULATED FOR SOME

TIME AND TEAM MAY BE UNABLE TO ANSWER QUESTIONS OR UNWILLING TO SPECULATE. YOSHIMURA INDICATED UNDERSTANDING OF SITUATION AND RESPONDED THAT EARLY VISIT WOULD PERMIT JAPAN TO EXPRESS CONCERNS AND POSITIONS ON VARIOUS ASSOCIATED MATTERS SO THAT TEAM COULD PROVIDE INPUT TO U.S. POLICY FORMULATION WHICH WOULD TAKE JAPANESE SITUATION INTO ACCOUNT.

E. JAPANESE PREPARED TO AND EAGER TO SEND MISSION COMPRISED OF AEC COMMISSIONER AMBASSADOR NIIZEKI PLUS REPS FROM MITI, STA AND MOFA IN RESPONSE TO U.S. MISSION TO JAPAN.

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